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the estate of Henry J. Mead, late of Underhill, in probate court Thursday. In probate court Monday Henry A. Brush of Milton was appointed executor

F. E. Burgess was taken with a bad hemorrhage of the nose while in New York last week and is now in the Roosevelt hospital in that city.

There will be one full delivery of mail to-day. The general delivery and parcels post windows at the postoffice will be open until 10 o'clock this morn-

Willard E. Greene, Mrs. Frances G. Fuller, and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Blake will leave to-day for Melrose, Mass., where they expect to spend the balance of the

United States infantry at Fort Ogiethorpe, Ga., has been detailed to the machine gui battalion of the regiment and has been made adjutant.

S. O. Brush for the past 18 years, a popul

ductor on the line of the Burlington Traction company, has resigned his position and entered the poultry raising business on a Milton farm. Allen D. Brown of Essex, Vt., Huldah J. Hoag of Plattsburgh, N. Y., were married Saturday night at the

Baptist parsonage by the Rev. Jabes S. Braker. The were unattended For the first time in 27 years there was no Christmas celebration at the Shelburne House this year. Three sons of Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Webb are in the service, as

s also Ralph Pulitzer, a son-in-law. Every employe of the Burlington Traction company, to the number of nearly 60, received a \$10 gold piece morning as

present, from the owners of the street Oscar D. Wells, for ten years associated with the Burlington Drug company as traveling salesman, has accepted a similar position with the Gibson, Snow Co. of Albany, Rochester, Syracuse and Troy,

Wallace B. Phelps, for the past three years a salesman in the employ of Lewis Blanchard, severed his connection with that concern Monday and has gone to Hartford, Conn., where he has a similar position with G. Fox & Co.

Yesterday's Plattsburgh papers print at announcement of the marriage of Joseph L. Thomas af this city and Lavenice C. Laver of Plattsburgh. The couple were married at Isle La Motte, the date of the nuptials being given as October 4.

The will of Mary A. W. Harris, late of Essex, was proved in probate court Monday. John H. Wright of Lansdowne. Pa., was appointed executor of the will, with J. E. Huntley and A. L. Carpenter of Essex commissioners and ap-

administrator of the estate of Delima St. Pierre, late of this city, in proand Octave E. Lavallee, both of this city, were appointed commissioners and

Thomas Farreil, telegraph operator at the Western Union office, has been appointed an operator in the Panama canal zone. He will leave the latter part of Mr. Farrell has put in several years of service near the big ditch and until after the close of the war. went down there shortly after the being of construction operations.

man, and Miss Ruth Irene Martin of Swampscott, Mass., were united in marriage by the Rev. Joseph F. Gillis at the rectory of St. Mary's Cathedral at six o'clock Friday evening. The double ring service was used. Attending the puple were Miss Winifred Carling and Alexander T. Powers.

Miss Ethel Elizabeth Grisenthwaite daughter of Mrs. William Grisenthwaite city, and Dr. Maurice Lionel Chency of Lyndonville were married at St. 'Paul's chapel Monday morning by the Rev. G. W. Davenport. After the cere-Christmas with the groom's parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Cheney of Lyndonville.

James Bousfield of North Adams, Mass., and Miss Marion Belding of this city were married Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock at the Baptist parsonage by the Rev. James S. Braker. They were unattended. For the present, Mr. and Mrs. Bousfield will live in this city, the groom being a member of the senior class at the University of Vermont.

The marriage of W. G. O'Brien and Miss Ruth Gillette took place last Sat-urday afternoon at St. Mary's rectory, the Rev. J. F. Gillis performing the ceremony. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. John W. Coffey, Jr., the latter being the bride's sister. Mr. O'Brien is employed in the Free Press printing Mr. O'Brien is L. O. Harding.

At the annual meeting of Beatrice Re bekah Lodge, No. 60 Friday evening these officers were elected; N. G., Ernestine Hudson; V. G., Hattie Winter; recording secretary, Hazel Salls; financial secre tary, Luna Edwards; treasurer, Barbara Salls; trustee, Clara Norton. The officers elected will be installed at the next meeting January 4, 1918.

The marriage of David F. O'Connell, a member of the signal corps of the university, and Miss Harmina M. Sikora was solemnized at 7:30 o'clock Saturday morning at St. Mary's Cath edral, the Rev. J. F. Gillis officiating. Bride and groom were attended by W Dougherty, of the Miss Ellen Liberty. of the signal corps, and

The Society of the Colonial Wars of Vermont met Friday evening in their hall on College street and elected three new members. A nominating committee also was appointed to bring in nominations for the election on the annual meeting of February 22. The general council (national) will meet in Burling-

ton some time in June, 1918. A tree covered with presents standing beside a fireplace and a room decorated with red and green streamer Sunday school of the Methodist Church were given by the kindergarten and primary departments, and then gifts were distributed to each member of the

Major H. B. Shaw of the judge-advocategeneral's office in Washington is in the city on a ten days' furlough. When he returns to the capital Mrs. Shaw will go with him and their house on South uary 1. Major Joseph Fairbanks of St. Johnsbury is another Vermonter of the so new officers in the judge-advocate-

general's department. ock, who recently passed civil service

BUSY, HARD-WORKED MEN AND WOMEN

Will find that the sarsaparilla, pepsin, nux and iron treatment comprised in Hood's Sarsaparilla and Peptiron will give brain and nerve force, relieve the nervous strain incident to "too much to do in too little time," characteristic of life to-

These blood and nerve medicines seen to lift the nervous and overworked into new life, enabling them to accomplish easily the things that have fretted them and have seemed to bring them to a

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Peptiron are very effectively supplemented by Hood's Pills, in cases where a laxative is needed. These three preparations are all sold by your druggist. Get them to day. (Adv). of the will of Lucia A. Hunt, late of the

> examinations, left Tuesday for Washington, where they will be employed in the quartermaster-general's office and the signal corps officers' office, respectively. signal corps officers' office, respectively.
> Miss Edith Holdstock was graduated from the university last June and her sister has been employed as assistant cashier for the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co.

In a letter to the Free Press renewing his subscriptions, O. J. Tomlinson, for-merly of Huntington and an assistant judge of Chittenden county court a quarer of a century ago, writes that he and Mrs. Tomlinson are well and enjoying life in St. Cloud, Fla., "at the small age Mrs. Tomlinson of 75 years." They extend the greetings of the season to many Chittenden county friends, whom they hope to meet when they come to Vermont next May or

A very pleasant Christmas was spent at the home of Mrs. Mary Bradley of South Burlington when 20 of the members of the among them Grandma Powell, aged 86, gathered there Tuesday. All sat down to a bountiful repast in the shape of a embellished with all the good things that go to make a good dinner, after which a well-laden Christmas tree was the attraction. Dora and Rodolph Smith, aged six and five, the youngest members of the party, gave recitations.

Edward Gonyeau, who has been in jail for several days awaiting trial on the charge of larceny, came into city court yesterday afternoon and pleaded guilty to stealing a pair of rubber shoes a shoe store in the northern part of the city last week. Judge J. T. Stearns sentenced the man to 60 days' hard labor in the county jail and he was committed The stolen goods were returned to the owner. Gonyeau, who has been in jail before on the charge of stealing from the children's school gardens, was cuted by the city grand juror, Ezra M.

Burlington's "northern front" was suc essfully raided by the police Saturday night at 11:45 o'clock, and as an outcome Delorme and Frank Prue 7 First street were tucked away for safe seeping in the county jail. Evidence taken to substantiate a charge of keeping intoxicating liquor on hand with in tent to sell against the duo by the police bottles of beer found under a bed in a grip and nine bottles of beer in another grip, found in the pantry, all of which another case of beer which Prue claims

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Somerfield Roberts of Albany, N. Y., have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss and Katherine Taylor. Readings Dorothy Mae Roberts, to Capt. Stephen given by Mary Crane. H. Sherrill, Troop I, Second cavalry, U. S. A., now stationed at the Post, Captain Sherrill's home is in East Hamp ton. L. I. He is a West Point graduate and served at the Plattsburgh training camp the past summer. His bride-to-be is a granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Roberts of Sherwood, Md., and the late Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor graduate of the Albany Academy for wedding is not to take place

Arthur J. Crandall of Colchester and as trustee, were made the defendants in of county court. In the petition by the plaintiff, Powell, it is averred that the plaintiff in the aforementioned sum for that he has refused to pay this amount and still refuses to do so. The Howard National bank is summoned to appear before the court and make disclosure according to the law, of the goods, chatwhich the bank may have in its posses

At the meeting of Hamilton Lodge, No 14, I. O. O. F., in Odd Fellows' hall on Church street last night the first degree was conferred upon a class of candidates and the following list of officers were elected for the year ensuing: Noble grand E. B. Metcalf; vice-noble grand, W. A. Harding; secretary, N. W. Warner; treas. urer, Harry W. Chase. These officers will be installed by District Deputy Grand Master Irving I. Potter of this city in January. In addition to the foregoing, R. W. Dunsmoor was elected first representative to the Grand Lodge, which is to be held in St. Johnsbury in May, with F. A. Atwood second representative. alternate is Percy Ballard and the second

Charles H. Bradford, alias "Card Springfield," the colored man who was arrested by the police several days ago on a breach of the peace charge, and the day following was arrested by the United States authorities on the charge of being a slacker, was given a "clean slate" by the government Saturday, when the charge of slackerism against him was man is far beyond the draft age. Bradford, when he gave his age to the city cierk, who made out his marriage certificate, said that he was 29 years old. As a matter of fact, he did not know how old he was, and only had a vague idea when brought before the United States attorney later that he was "27 years old when the Jamestown exposition in Virginia was doing business.

Joseph C. Dobson, local steamboat inspector, has received a number of snapshots of army life at Camp Greene, Char-lotte, N. C., from his friend, Lieut. F. R. Jellison, formerly manager of Green Brothers store in this city. One of the snapshots which was shown to a reporter Friday depicted Lieutenant Jellison standing outside his tent in company with a personal friend, Lieut, Robert W McCuen of Vergennes, while all arous as far as the eye could see was snow and then some to the depth of at least two greeted the eyes of the members of the feet. Aside from this, ice was clinging to the guy ropes of the officers' present place Saturday afternoon as they entered the of abode, and taken all in all it presented parlors. Songs, solos and recitations anything but an enticing picture. However, Lieutenant Jellison writes that "army life is not altogether what some people think it is, and I for one am all taken up with it."

A very pretty wedding took place Sunday evening at the Hebrew school when Maurice Buman, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Buman of 144 Interval avenue, married Union street will be closed for the winter.
Wajor Shaw reports there for work January 1. Major Joseph Fairbanks of St. mings, wore a veil caught up with orange of the Miss Tesler of Revere Beach, Mass., Rabbi blossoms, and carried a bouquet of bridal roses. Supper was served to about 150 couples. Those from out of town present were: L. A. Lifschutz and daughter, Diana,

of New York, Mr. and Mrs. H. Isenberg of Revere, Mass., Mrs. Tesler and H. Tesler of Chelsea, Mass., Mrs. Margolis of Lynn Mass., Sergeant Bennie Adler

N. J. He had been ill with pneumonia for about a week and died yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. Curtis was for many years a resi-Canada: Sergeant Barney Udolfsky of Mississippi, Private Morris Fiengold of Camp Greene, N. C. About \$25 was donated for the relief of the Jews in the war zone. Dancing was enjoyed following the supper The couple will reside at 144 Interval

Six more recruits into the service of the navy were added within the past few Burlington boy, George A. Derby, who has enlisted as a machinist mate in the aviation corps. The others are Robert A. Major and N. C. Derby of Lake Placid, N. Y., W. G. Church of St. Albans, A. M. Randall of Pittsford and E. D. aton of Hancock. Ensign Crosley told a Free Press reporter yesterday that reports of the attitudes of various exemp-tion boards in neighboring districts were very favorable towards registrants who applied for certificates allowing them to join the naval service if they so prefer-red. Any registrant in the Chittenden county district will be given such a certifi-cate by Dr. C. J. Russell, chairman of the local board, upon application, providing he will not be needed to fill out the next draft quota from this county.

Mrs. J. M. Ashley, wife of Major Ashley received a letter from her husband Sat-urday wishing all his friends a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Major Ashley has been ill, along with some hundreds of others in the French camp, with what is known over here as the At the time the letter was malled early in December he had just been dis-charged from the hospital. He stated that the epidemic had been pretty strong. The medical corps had been augmented by 17 Red Cross nurses, who accomplished wonders. Their nursing did much that the medical corps men could not, because the latter did not understand how to do all the nice things which can be done around a sick bed. On Thanksgiving day the Vermonters had their turkey and cranberries, and every man in the ammu nition train had an apple pie to himself. The cooks stayed up all night to do the The ammunition train is in the same camp which it went into when it first arrived in France. The weather is cold and crisp, and it is hoped that will do something toward stopping the grip

Tuesday night from six to eight o'clock

the annual Christmas exercises of the First Baptist Church Sunday school were conducted in the vestry with a large The exercises were given attendance. by the kindergarten and primary departments, the older classes observing a white Christmas. A sum of between \$50 and \$75 was raised for that cause, and merous foodstuffs and articles of clothing were contributed, to be disposed of contributors to the program were George Zeiner, Thelma Kittell, Ruth Platka, Kenneth Stover, Francis Hong, Irene tha Whitlock, Marion Hill, Daisy Wells, Ivan Stanhope, Alice Boyd, Lewis Kit-tell, Gertrude Strong, Winona Brace, Lily Wells, Mildred Vosburg, Ruth Hoag, Norman Robinson, Marion Salis, with recitations; Thelma Ricker, Glynn Ricker and Mary Austin, with songs; dialogue Rosemary Tracy, Juanita Brace, Char lotte Palmer, Katherine Taylor; dialogue. Winona Brace, Kenneth Prior, Orville Weston, Lewis Kittell, Charlotte Simonds. Ruth Platka, Daisy Wells, Gordon Thomas and Mildred Vosburg; dialogue, Marjorie

OBITUARY.

Lieut, Leonard I. Brownson died sudat 369 South Union street. He formerly, and for many years resided in Hinesburg, but Miss Roberts is a for the past few years had lived in this city during the summers, and spent his winters with a son in Havana, Cuba. He was born August 31, 1842. Lieutenant Brownson was a veteran of the Civil War. He enlisted in the Middlebury company a \$500 damage suit filed at the county the battle at Big Bethel, Va. He was in clerk's office Monday by Max L. Powell. all the battles of the old Vermont Brigade The case is returnable at the March term until wounded in the head on May 5, 1864 the first day of the battle of the Wilder ness. After the war, upon the reorganiza-tion of the National Guard, he was made captain of the Hinesburg company, in the First regiment.

him, namely: Miss Etta L. Brownson of this city, Leonard E. Brownson of Havana, Cuba, and Earl L. Brownson of Rochester,

Loyal Legion. He was a loyal citizen, a gallant soldier and an honorable man. Funeral services were held at the house, 369 South Union street, Monday orenoon at eleven o'clock. Interment was at Hinesburg in the afternoon

Mrs. Patrick Dullahan. Mrs. Patrick Dullahan of 12 Summe

street died at a local hospital Saturday She is survived by her husband and three children, Helen, Elizabeth and William, The first and by her mother, two sisters and brothers, all of this city.

The funeral was held from St. Mary' Cathedral at nine o'clock Monday morn ing, with interment in St. Joseph

Mrs. Mary Collins.

Mrs. Mary Collins, widow of John Collins, died Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at East avenue, after a lingering ill-ness, having been ill since last August. She was 85 years of age and is survived by three sons and one daughter: John and Michael of this city, Peter of Franklin, N. H., and Mary of Burlington

Miss Mary Hyland.

Miss Mary Hyland died Tuesday evenng about seven o'clock at her home at 37 Buell street, after a long illness. She is survived by two brothers, M. D. Hylan f this city and H. W. Hyland of Oneonta, N. Y.; and by five sisters, Mrs. Katherine of San Francisco, Margaret Hyland, Maria Hyland and Mrs. J. A. Mc-Canna, of this city, and Mrs. Michael Snright of Belmont, Mass. The funeral will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral this morning, with burial in St. Joseph's cemetery.

Edward Walton.

Edward Walton, a veteran of the Civil War, and a life-long resident of this city, died yesterday morning about seven o'clock at the home of his nephew, Arthur W. Hill, at 278 South Union street. Mr. Walton was born in Burlington November 20, 1830, being the son of Joseph H. Walton and Ann Lille Walton. He enlisted at Burlington on August

23, 1862, in Company C, 12th regiment, Vermont Volunteers, and was mustered out July 14, 1863. He is survived by four sisters, Mrs.

Abram Platt of New York, Mrs. William Brinsmaid of Freeport, Ill., Mrs. C. H. Cutting of Allentown, Pa., and Mrs. W. Hill of Burlington. brother, William, died a few years ago in California. Mr. Walton never mar-

George W. Curtle.

were: L. A. Lifschutz and daughter, Diana, News was received yesterday of the Mrs. Rose Engle and Nathan Gerchofsky death of George W. Curtis of Elizabeth,

Mr. Curtis was for many years a resident of Burlington, having been connected for a long time with the Hagar Hardware company. For some 20 years he had had his own business in New York, at the corner of Broadway and Chambers street, where he manufactured and sold at wholesale carriage and automobile robes and blankets.

Mr. Curtis is survived by his wife, who was Miss Ellen E. Mower of Burlington; three sons, Henry L. and Edward of Elizabeth and Guy E. of East Orange days to the nearly 600 already obtained of Elizabeth and Guy E. of East Orange, in this district. One of the sextette is a and one daughter, Mrs. B. F. Jamison of

Harvey Simpson.

Harvey Simpson, U. S. navy, died last hight at 10:25 o'clock at the naval hospital at Portsmouth, Va., of cerebral spinal fever with which he was seized two weeks ago to-day. He was the 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Simpson of 153 Howard street, who received the telegram announcing his death at about midnight.

Besides his parents, he is survived by the sympathy of the community will be extended to his parents and brothers in

"CUT A CORD OF WOOD."

(From the Louisville Courier-Journal). The Vermont Fuel Administrator offers is a solution in part of the difficult fuel problem the slogan "Cut a Cord of Wood. The city man has no opportunity, speak-ing generally, to lend a hand here. He

has access to axes, but not to wood. The country man, as the Courier-Journal has pointed out, has long been burning coal as a labor-saving device. Much of the labor saved has not been utilized. Whereas formerly the woodshed, or the feature of the environs of every small farmhouse, and wood chopping one of the regular chores, the coalhouse is the rule to-day, and the farmer who could or saw many cords of wood during the winter spends his spare time hugging a stove at home or at the crossroads store exchanging prophecy, philosophy and rem-iniscence with his similarly occupied

neighbors. The Courier-Journal published recently George Washington's formula for keeping warm all winter with one billet of wood. He advised taking the billet up into the attic and heaving it out the window, running downstairs and getting it and repeating the performance as often as the need of heat demanded it. Washington's plan is good, save that it entails a shameful waste of labor and warms nobody but the man who runs with the billet. As a selfish indulgence It is not satisfactory to the average dividual, and it is a wholly selfish manner

William Ewart Gladstone lived to be nearly 90 years old, and was a busier man than the average farmer. His biographers find it hard to cram into the space allotted to them by publishers of biographical dictionaries brief mention of the tasks he accomplished during his long and arduous life. For relaxation, for recreative exercise, and because he delighted in the skilled labor of the axman, Mr. Gladstone chopped wood. How many cords of wood he chopped, and who was warmed by it, his biographers neglect to say. At any rate he found time in which to chop many cords. He was not the sort of man who hugs a hot stove for relaxation when the weather is bad

If everyone who has access to the commodity should adopt the advice of the Vermont Fuel Administrator, valuable the prosecution of the war would re-If a Premier of Great Britain finds time to chop wood surely the average cords of it during the winter by utilizing place of foregathering nearest his farm. The conservation of materials is urged

as a patriotic duty. There is as much the families and friends. coal as upon the supply of any material. cution of many industries incident to the prosecution of war. It must be used for canard. transportation. Wood can be used for omestic heating in the country. Perhaps, labor considered and valued at so much an hour, it can be used this winter at a profit as compared with coal.

He married Miss Alice Kenyon of Hines-burg, who died in 1854. Three children were born to them, all of whom survive gan. Even one cord of wood chopped at every country home where wood is available would help as a measure of fuel conservation, but it would be a contemptible minimum. It would mean giving than one day's labor to the cause. No. 37, Cummings Post, G. A. R., of the days' labor so devoted would be ten Vermont Commandery, Military Order of times as much patriotism displayed, and ten times as much coal expense saved.

RECIPES WITHOUT SUGAR. Spend some time this winter in ad rising those of your acquaintance who have time-and flower gardens-to keep bees.

Locate the sugar maple trees in district and see that attention is called GINGERBREAD. Two and one-fourth cups flour, 45 tea-

spoon salt, 1/4 teaspoonful soda. 11/2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 teaspoon ginger, cup molasses, 4 tablespoons fat, ½ cup

Sift together the flour, salt, soda, baking

powder and ginger. Mix the molasses and the fat softened in ½ cup of hot water. Add the liquid to the dry in-gredients and stir well. Bake in a shalow pan or in muffin pans for twenty minutes or more in a moderate over Shredded cocoanut or chopped almonds or peanuts may be sprinkled over the baking.

OATMEAL COOKIES.

One-half cup shortening, 1/2 cup Karo strup, 1/2 cup molasses, 1 egg, 1% cups oatneal, 14 cup raisins, 14 cup chopped nuts, 14 cups flour, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon soda, 2½ teaspoons baking powder, teaspoon cloves, ½ teaspoon allspice, easpoon cinnamon

Melt the shortening. Combine with the Karo, molasses and beaten egg. Add the oatmeal and the chopped nuts and raisins. Finally stir in the flour which has been sifted with the other ingredients. The dough should be stiff enough to drop from a spoon. Bake in a moderate oven fifteen or twenty minutes.

SWISS HONEY CAKES. One-half cup shortening, 2 cups strained

honey, 1 lemon, ½ cup almonds, ¼ tea-spoon nutmeg, 1 teaspoon soda, 2 tea-spoons baking powder, Flour to make Melt the shortening, add the honey and

stir well; remove from the fire at once and cool.Add the grated rind and juice of the lemon. Sift the soda, baking pow-der and nutmeg into one cup of flour. Montpelier, Dec. M.-Commissioner of Mix this with the liquid and add sufscient more flour to make a dough that can be rolled. Chill, roll out & inch thick, in squares, diamonds sprinkle with finely chopped nuts and oake in a moderate oven. Use honey, maple strup, molasses, and brown sugar instead of granulated sugar We can not ship the first three commo

dities, as they require too much shipping space; we can not ship brown sugar, as it ferments. Use these commodities at home so that granulated sugar may be

FREE PRESS WANT ADS. PAY BEST. junior high school for next year.

to Parole in Bonds of \$2,000-Conditional on Good Behavior.

St. Albans, Dec. 26.-Siegmund Bloch, tailor, who was arrested November 26 on the charge of being an enemy allen and making threats against the United States government, has been admitted to parole and given his liberty after furnishing bonds of \$2,000, H. W. Ballard became his bondsman. Application was made to United States

Attorney-General Gregory at Washington for permission to have Bloch placed on The department at Washington referred the matter to District Attorney V. A. Bullard of Burlington, who held i hearing at the office of C. G. Austin & at any moment that may be seen fit. In all probability, if Bloch gives no

further trouble, he will not be interned. If he had not been paroled he would have Harvey enlisted here in Burlington in had to be interned or deported.

Octboer as a seaman.

Burlington in had to be interned or deported.

Since Bloch was placed in custody it has been known that efforts to secure his two brothers, William and Kenneth. He release were in progress. A sister of Mrs. was born and brought up in this city, and Bloch, with her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Simon, came here from Paterson, N. J.

a few weeks ago and the brother-in-law, who is reputed to be a man of some financial standing, interested himself in the matter. Mr. Simon is an American citizen and a Civil War veteran. Bloch is a native of Germany and is not

naturalized, although some time ago he took out his first papers. It was on the strength of four affidavits

ent to the department at Washington by C. G. Austin & Sons that Bloch's release was secured. These affidavits, signed by F. Irving Dutcher, a druggist; H. Ballard, who runs a garage; Dr. G. C. Berkley, a local physician, and John M. Woods, who owns a baker's shop, set forth was deserving of his liberty and that he would not constitute a menace to the public peace. All live or have their places of business in the vicinity of Bloch's shop. Mr. Austin states that only one person refused to sign an affidavit.

Bloch furnished a supervisor in the person of H. W. Ballard, to whom he must make a personal report every 10 days. He must also report once a month to Deputy United States Marshal Thomas Reeves in Burlington and must furnish three pictures of himself to the authorities. It is said that some time ago Bloch did not make out an application for an enemy alien permit because he considered furnishing the picture and answering the questions "too much red tape."

Mr. Bullard says he hopes the public will send immediate notice to him of any violation by Bloch of the provisions of his parole. The step taken in the case was not on Mr. Bullard's recommendation. Mr. Bullard states that although the affidavits secured were undoubtedly influential there is no doubt that counter affidavits could be obtained much more easily. Bloch has re-opened his place of busiess on North Main street.

SLANDERS NAILED.

Reward Offered for Source of False Report about Middlebury Soldier.

Middlebury, Dec. 26.-There is much ndignation in Middlebury and throughout many other towns of the county over a long carried out and seemingly deliberately-planned series of lies in regard to individual members of the different troops who have gone into service from Addison in winter and the unavoidable chores county. These stories started many weeks ago, with the report that a certain young Middlebury man had killed his bunk-mate and then disappeared, as a deserter. After that came stories that certain of the boys had their arms blown off, that others had had their eyes blown out in acc explosions in camp; and that one Middlebury boy had been court marialed and sen-tenced to serve nine years in a federal prison for bringing liquor into camp. Each story has been proven without the slight est foundation. But while they were in circulation they caused great distress to

in regard to the lies about one particular soldier, a friend of his has said that he would personally give a reward of \$50 to any one who could prove the origin of the

PETIT JURY FOR U.S. COURT AT BRATTLEBORO

Rutland, Dec. 26.-The following pe tit jurors have been summoned from the office of the United States marshal of the United States district court to held in the new feledal building at Brattleboro, the session opening on January 8 at nine o'crock in the morn-

B. F. Adams of White River Junction W. R. Aldrich, W. E. Griswold of Springfield, Larkin W. Adimon, F. Childs, Hugh H. Dunklee, John Kaine, L. S. Martindale, J. Edgar Mel-len, O. E. Randall, Arthur F. Roberts W. F. Stellman, Leon C. White, Arthur D. Wyatt of Brattleboro, F. M. Bissell and Leonard Brown of Wilmington, Royal E. Blodgett of Vernon, F. A. Blood, Carroll C. Robinson of Towns hend. Frank P. Burbank, Henry C. Wiley of Chester, Cleo C. Coxe of Woodstock Luron M. Eames of Marlboro, Myron Evans, W. F. Phillips of Putney, L. B. Hayward, Fred W. Reed of Windsor, J. H. Hewett of South Royalton, Eu-Falls: J. M. Powers of Athens, F. A Shattuck of Westminster West, Colin M. Stevens of Perkinsville, Frank A. Stevenson of Brookline, F. E. Willard of Williamsville.

CHARGED WITH FORGERY. Earl, Creamery Manager, Arrested

about to Take Train. en operating the creamery at Walden Heights for Hood & Sons, is in the Caledonia county jail at St. Johnsbury, charged with forgery. He was arrested at the railroad station here as he was preparing

to take the late train. Earl had a check drawn in favor of A. H. Austin, whose name appeared as endorsing it. Earl was sliopping at the J. H. McCloud company store, which did not care to cash so large a check. One of the clerks accompanied Earl to the office of the Granite Trust company, and as the treasurer did not know Earl the bank declined to cash it. Earl and the clerk raturned to the store, and where Mr. Austin was communicated with by 'ph He said he had not received, nor endorsed municated with the authorities and the ar-

WAR SAVINGS CAMPAIGN.

Will Begin in Schools January 2-Hillegas to Instruct Superintendents.

Education M. B. Hillegas has sent notices to the school superintendents in the cities of the State to attend a meeting in the State House Friday and Saturday, at which time he will explain to them the manner in which the war savings campaign is to be conducted in the schools. This will start January 4 and he wants the campaign waged in such a manner that it will terminate in 1918. In company with Prof. Clyde Hill of the junior high school department, he will be in St. Johnsbury Thursday for the purpose of meeting the school board and the trustees of the academy in the village relative to the

OLD BEE HIVE THE

December 27, 1917

The January Clearance Sales

These sales hold a greater significance —are more important—than ever before.

Costs of many things have undeniably increased and with the unheard of readjustments and changes necessarily being made in the economic management of industries, further increases may be looked for no doubt.

It is indeed a fact, that much of the merchandise we will sell in these January Sales will cost us more to duplicate in a few months from now than the sale prices at which the various lines are at present of-

It is therefore obvious that you are saving even more than the amounts represented by the present price reductions and special prices, remarkable as many of them

Keep your eyes on our January Clearance sale advertisements.

Watch for the extraordinary offerings of Table Linens, Cottons, Towels, Sheets and Pillow Cases, one of the most important features of our semi-annual clearance sales and more so this year because it will give housekeepers an opportunity to supply their needs for several months to come at much lower prices than the same merchandise will sell for any time during the year 1918.

Then the clearance sales of Suits. Coats, Blouses, Dresses, and Millinery will offer just the garments wanted by our customers, who are always eager to purchase if the money savings are worth while.

The clearance sales of Muslin Underwear, Knit Underwear, Hosiery and Gloves will be full of interest and special economies.

There will be more than eight hundred pairs of perfectly new and high grade Corsets offered at prices fully 1-3 less than the prevailing prices and perhaps a half less than what these same corsets will cost in

the spring. And this applies also to hundreds of other articles that will be on sale. Many of them you will find advertised in our special two page clearance sale advertisement that will appear in this paper in a day or two.

PRES. BENTON'S WORK.

Parisian Insurance Man Says It Is of

a Most Helpful Kind. The Free Press is permitted to print portions of a letter recently received by President Darwin P. Kingsley of the New York Life Insurance company the head of the Paris office of that company, describing the work which dent Guy Potter Benton of the University of Vermont is doing in France. 'As you know, he is in charge of the Y. M. C. A. work in this city and it was a bigger proposition than he had any idea of handling when he came over here. He really had to start with nothing and build up an organization which would handle our soldier boys in Paris. That meant an organization of men who would meet these boys at the trains, see

hotels, entertained while here in such a way that they would be kept from the evils of Paris and sent back to the army been obliged to find his own course, origas large a number of men as he needed, get concessions from the officials of the city of Paris and learn to do business with the French people in their own way. them its message. The service closed in my opinion he has done wonderfully with "Our Father's God to Thee" and Hardwick, Dec. 28.-J. H. Earl, who has In my opinion he has done wonderfully "Last week he was asked to leave Paris in order to start a canteen at 'somewhere in France' and have it ready for

an army of Americans which were just about to land. That takes him away from Paris during the month and he hopes to come back and take up his work here about the 1st of January. He was selected evening. At 5:30 the children had sup-for this because there was no other man per, which consisted of sandwiches, available and his assistants could handle the work here. Dr. Benton has been working day and night, and this is no vacation trip that he has taken. "We have here an American club and after the luncheon there is an adiress by some prominent man. During war times we have had to get Frenchmen of reputation because Americans were not here, but I arranged with the committee for Dr. Benton to speak one day and he made one of the most satis-

of interest as a speech, but also from the fact that he spoke of his work in such a way as to turn the Americans from a spirit of criticism into a spirit of helpfulness for him, and a better understanding of what the Y. M. C. A. is doing over here. From that meeting I am sure he will get a great deal of practical help from practical men living here in Paris, and in a way I am sorry that he is obliged to leave the city for

factory speeches that we have had. It was satisfactory not only from a point

your university to be away during the college year is going to be of great benefit to the Y. M. C. A. itself and to numbers of our American boys."

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS.

Pupils of Two Church Schools Have Appropriate Exercises.

The Christmas service vesterday afternoon at All Saints' chapel was combined with the children's Christmas Tree. The service opened with a hymn, "The Snow Lay on the Ground," follow-Christmas and war collects. The next hymn was "O Little Town of Bethle-hem." followed by recitations by Mrs. Frank Lord's class, Louis Wilson, Mar-jory Hill and Helen Burns, who recited "Why Do Bells at Christmas Ring?" and a recitation by Harrison Evans. The next hymn was "While Shepherds Watched," and then Catherine I. Howe read "The Christmas Carol." beth Mildon read Longfellow's "Christmas Bells" and Annette Burns read Phillips Brooks' "Christmas Carol." These were followed by "Once in Royal David's City" and the Rev. A. E. Montgomery gave the children a Christmas talk, telling what the tree, its lights and presents signified. He told them to listen to the tree and it would give "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear."
After the service the children were given their Christmas candy and press

All of the classes in St. Paul's Sunday school except the primary grades were entertained at a party in the per, which consisted of sandwiches, cocoa, ice cream, cake and cookles. Then they sang carols. Miss Sybil and Harvey Foote danced a "Skating Waltz" in a very effective manner and Harvey were encored until they were forced to repeat the dance. They were forced to ing costumes of red and white. After the skating dance the Misses Estalene Beckwith, Dorothy Barstow, Dorothy Jones and Mildred Shepard and George Davenport, Charles Knickerbocker, Kenneth Rockwood and Robert Horton, in costume, gave a minuct. They were also encored. The program ended with a Virginia reel, in which everyone joined. Miss Marion Killam played for the fancy dancing. The three older classes then danced

RELEASED TO SPEND CHRISTMAS AT HOME

until ten o'clock.

Montpeller, Dec. 26.-John Brooks, who has been serving time in the State prison. hese few weeks.
"I won't go into further details as to what he is doing and has done, but from to spend the holiday with his family. Brooks had four days to serve, but he released Monday and reached his

home for Christmas. To Advertise for help is to get in touch with the best available warself